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Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 17 September 1999, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fifty-fourth session the item entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 19th, 22nd, 31st and 58th meetings, on 28 October, 1 and 9 November 1999 and 31 March 2000. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/54/SR.19, 22, 31 and 58).

3. For its consideration of the item the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 1998 to 30 June 1999 (A/54/393);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 1997 to 30 June 1998 (A/53/428);

(c) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 1996 to 30 June 1997 (A/52/426);

(d) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the Joint Inspection Unit on the final reports produced by the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/52/464);



(e) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services for the period from 1 July 1995 to 30 June 1996 (A/51/432);

(f) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the comments of the Joint Inspection Unit on the final reports produced by the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/51/530 and Corr.1);

(g) Report of the Secretary-General on enhancing the internal oversight mechanisms in operational funds and programmes (A/51/801).

II. Consideration of a draft decision proposed by the Chairman

4. At its 58th meeting, on 31 March, following a statement by the representative of Belgium and coordinator of informal consultations on this item, and on the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the General Assembly that it defer consideration of this item to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly (see para. 6).

5. Following the adoption of the draft decision, the representative of Tunisia made a statement (see A/C.5/54/SR.58).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

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The General Assembly decides to defer consideration of the item entitled "Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services" to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly.